Educated job seekers

3082. SHRIMATI N. P. DURGA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of educated job seekers;

(b) whether adequate jobs are there for all the educated people; and

(c) the manpower planning made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) As on 1.4.2001, 27.8 million out of 41.2 million persons registered at employment exchanges were the job seekers with educational qualification as 10th class and above.

(b) Many among the educated, pursue self-employment and hence do not require jobs on wage employment basis.

(c) The agencies of Governments at Centre and States, which are concerned with various disciplines of general, technical and professional education monitor the demand-supply situation in the respective disciplines of education, and respond to it.

Road projects in Tenth Plan

3083. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has decided not to take up any new project (National Highway) in the Tenth Plan;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the amount allocated to his Ministry in the Tenth Plan; and

(d) the amount allocated for NHDP in the Tenth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.